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Dear Sir:

To avoid abandonment under 37 CFR 1.53(d) the applicant herewith submits the declaration in the above-identified application duly signed. A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) is also enclosed in order to prevent abandonment of the application.

The Commissioner is herewith authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee to deposit account no. 15-0773.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

I, Walter Ottesen, state that I am the attorney for this application and that I have reviewed and found the specification (pages 1 to 19) and two sheets of drawing (FIGS. 1 and 2) as shown in my files to be the papers attached to the declaration of Norbert Breuer for Fuel Cell System which accompanies this statement and I declare that these papers attached to the declaration are a true copy of the specification and any amendment thereto which I filed in the Patent and Trademark Office in order to obtain a filing date for this application on July 25, 2001.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The oath or declaration is unsigned.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52 because:
 - Papers contain improper margins. Each sheet must have a left margin of at least 2.5 cm (1") and top, bottom and right margins of at least 2.0 cm (3/4")

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